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IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace paragraph [0045] with the following amended paragraph:

Figure 5 is <u>a</u> partially sectional, diagrammatic view of a <u>wave-shaped</u> wave-shaped shim, with perforations, holes and groves, inserted in a gap between two elements and around a bolt.

Please insert the following new paragraph after paragraph [0045]:

Figure 6 is a partially sectional, diagrammatic view of a pair of wave-shaped shims, with strings aligning perforations, holes, and groves in the shims.

Please replace paragraph [0054] with the following amended paragraph:

In a preferred embodiment, the tab 11 will be provided with small grooves 21 and 23, shown in FIG. 5, which extend from the edge of the tab 11 to toward a central portion of the tab. Prior to separating the tab 11, as described in the preceding paragraph, the inserted shims 16 can be utilized to align several frames 3 along a single plane by connecting a guide-line, such as a string, as shown in FIG. 6, through grooves 21 and/or 23 of the tabs 11 of a plurality of shims 16 located between a plurality of frames 3 and rough openings 2. The placement of the frames can be adjusted laterally within the rough openings to achieve a string that runs in a straight line through each of the connected shims. In a similar fashion, as also shown in FIG. 6, through-holes 20, 24, 18, and 19, and slot 22 can be used for alignment of a series of window frames. The through-holes completely penetrate the material of the shim and allow a guide-line to be threaded through the holes to align the frames in a manner similar to that previously described above.